



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5634

LCO No. 2590

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
(HS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING STATE ENHANCEMENT TO THE FEDERAL
SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND
CHILDREN.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Commissioner of Public
2 Health shall establish, within available appropriations, a program to
3 serve as an enhancement to the federal Special Supplemental Food
4 Program for Women, Infants and Children administered by the
5 Department of Public Health in this state pursuant to section 19a-59c of
6 the general statutes. The commissioner shall establish eligibility
7 requirements for services and benefits available under such program
8 and such requirements shall be substantially similar to those currently
9 available under federal law. In the event that services and benefits
10 available under the federal Special Supplemental Food Program for
11 Women, Infants and Children are eliminated, the commissioner may
12 elect to provide similar state-funded services and benefits under the
13 program established pursuant to this section.

14 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The sum of _____ dollars is
15 appropriated to the Department of Public Health, from the General

16 Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, for the purpose of
17 establishing a state-funded program that shall be substantially similar
18 in all respects to the federal Special Supplemental Food Program for
19 Women, Infants and Children.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Public Health to establish a state-funded program that shall serve as an enhancement to the federal Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]